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Broadway Performer and Fort Worth Native Jonathon Fielding Cast as Bob Cratchit in Kids Who Care's "A Christmas Carol"

Kids Who Care Presents Musical Production of Charles Dickens' Classic December 18-23, 2009

FORT WORTH, TX – December 1, 2009 – Kids Who Care, a non-profit international musical theatre company based in Fort Worth, Texas, announces that Broadway actor and Fort Worth native Jonathon Fielding (www.fieldingonline.com) has been cast as Bob Cratchit in Kids Who Care's musical production of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* this holiday season, running December 18-23, 2009 at the Scott Theatre in Fort Worth.

Mr. Fielding's credits include Broadway production *Pygmalion*, with Jefferson Mays at Roundabout Theatre Company, and Off-Broadway productions at Connelly Theater, Greenwich Street Theater and Cherry Lane Theatre. Mr. Fielding, a graduate of TCU, now lives in New York City. This holiday season, he will return home to Fort Worth and perform with Kids Who Care. He has previously performed with Fort Worth's Amphibian Productions, Circle Theatre and Kids Who Care Musical Theatre, where he played Mercutio in *Romeo and Juliet* at the Scott Theatre with Michael Muller, who is playing Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol*.

An inspiring tale of hope and redemption, *A Christmas Carol* tells the story of Ebenezer Scrooge and his magical journey from a bah-humbug miser to a loving and generous man. In this musical version presented by Kids Who Care, adapted by Preston Lane and Jonathan Moscone and originally premiered at the Dallas Theater Center, the story starts with a child, features Mark Walker's elaborate scenic design, Chad Jung's lighting, and includes a cast of 71 with actor Michael Muller in the role of Scrooge, Sheran Goodspeed Keyton as Christmas Present and Jonathon Fielding as Bob Cratchit.

The show runs December 18 through December 23, 2009 at the Scott Theatre, located at 1300 Gendy Street in Fort Worth's Cultural District, with evening, matinee and school-day performances. Specific show dates and times are as follows:

- Friday, December 18, 10:00 a.m. (special school day matinee pricing applies)
- Friday, December 18, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, December 19, 2:00 p.m., Sugar Rush 2009 (pre-show luncheon, party and matinee show – special pricing applies)
- Saturday, December 19, 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, December 20, 2:00 p.m.

- Monday, December 21, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 22, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 23, 2:00 p.m.

Tickets for evening performances of *A Christmas Carol* are \$18 for those 16 and older; \$15 for youth. Matinee performances are \$16 for those 16 and older; \$12 for youth. Tickets can be purchased online at www.kidswhocare.org or by calling 817.737.5437.

Tickets for the Friday, December 18 performance at 10:00 a.m. are \$12 for general seating and \$5 per ticket for groups of 10 or more. Schools and other groups can contact Lori Henson or Jannice Fikar for group tickets at 817.737.5437.

Tickets for Sugar Rush 2009 on Saturday, December 19 are \$50 for adults and \$35 for youth. This special benefit event begins at 12 Noon, includes a luncheon, Sugar Rush games and activities and a show ticket to the 2:00 p.m. performance that day. Sugar Rush tickets can be purchased online at www.kidswhocare.org or by calling 817.737.5437. Tables are available for purchase.

About Kids Who Care

Founded in 1989, Kids Who Care is a non-profit international theatre company based in Fort Worth, Texas that seeks to produce confident and creative kids through leadership, musical theatre education and performance. Kids Who Care offers professional musical theatre classes, leadership training, summer musical theatre camps, international cultural exchanges, a touring Resident Company, public performances and more. The Kids Who Care Resident Company has performed Off-Broadway at the Lamb's Theatre, at both Disney's, at The Kennedy Center, at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, at 30,000 feet aboard an airplane for the Make-A-Wish Foundation and at many other locations across the U.S. and overseas. The core values of the organization include: excellence in artistic development, artistic integrity of kids, leadership roles for kids, financial and cultural diversity and ensemble production. For more information, please visit www.kidswhocare.org.

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